Applications for lease of Kanni Elam Gardens.

223 *MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Thodupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Conservator or the Divisional Forest Officer, Kottayam, has received any applications for leasing out Kanni *Elam* gardens in the years 1109 and 1110;

(*b*) if so, the names of the applicants with the respective dates of their applications;

(*c*) the number of such applications recommended by the Range Officer and ultimately sanctioned by the Conservator;

(*d*) whether the Divisional Forest Officer has recommended all the applications recommended by the Range Officer and

(*e*) if the answer to part (*d*) is in the negative, the reasons for the same?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) A *list of the applications received in the Kottayam Divisional Forest Office is appended.

(*c*) Nil.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) Nagampara is a very valuable reserve and hence it is not proposed to encourage the cultivation of cardamom throughout the reserve. Only those areas which were being previously leased out and which contain cardamom plants are now given on lease. Applications for opening fresh areas are not considered. Most of the applications, it is reported, are for fresh areas. Further, each application has to be considered on its own merits, and among other things the solvency of the applicants has also to be taken into consideration as most of the lessees have often been defaulting payments of *kist* and large sums are still in arrears.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know whether any of the applications has been recommended?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know why applications for old areas was not recommended?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Probably because the financial position of the applicants was not sound.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know whether the financial position of the applicants was considered?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

PRESIDENT: When he says it was not sound, obviously it must have been considered.

MR. K. A. ARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know the source from which Government received the information that the financial position of the applicants was not sound?

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MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The Range Officer made the necessary enquiries.

Leasing of Kanni Elam Gardens.

224 *MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state the conditions under which Kanni *Elam* Gardens are leased out?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): A copy of the Rules containing the conditions is placed on the table.

Veterinary Hospital in Nedumangad taluk.

225 *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any action has been taken to start a veterinary hospital or dispensary in the Nedumangad taluk; and

(*b*) whether they are aware that the agriculturists in the taluk feel the necessity for a veterinary hospital or dispensary there?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Government placed the proposal before the Finance Committee. It was not passed by the Committee.

(*b*) Yes.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether it was the official members or the non-official members of the Finance Committee that opposed the proposal?

PRESIDENT: Are the Proceedings of the Finance Committee public property? Are they being published?

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Yes.

PRESIDENT: Have they been published?

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): No.

PRESIDENT: Wait until they are published. You will get material for a number of questions. Nedumangad might not have been treated fairly by the Finance Committee. (*Laughter.*)

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know the reasons that weighed with the Finance Committee in not passing this proposal?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Want of funds

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether, when funds become available, Government will reconsider this matter?

PRESIDENT: That is hypothetical. When funds become available, there may arise other matters more important than Nedumangad (*Laughter.*)

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): If the Government knew that funds were not available, may I know why the matter was placed before the Finance Committee at all?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): For the funds available, the Finance Committee considered other matters more urgent than this.

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Appendix V.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 222**

Statement showing the pendency of suits in the Thodupuzha Munsiff's Court.

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At the close of 1109 ...	319	61
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Appendix VI.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 223.**

List of the applications for the lease of cardamon gardens received during the years 1109 and 1110 M. E.

Names of applicants.	Date of application.
1. Krishna Pillai Arumugom Pillai of Thodupuzha ...	3-2-09
2. K. Nilakanta Iyen of Thodupuzha ...	5-5-09
3. Mathen Kunjavutha of Puthenkulangara, ...	3-6-09
4. T. P. Mathew, Superintendent, Pasupara Estate...	29-6-34
5. Narayana Pillai Padmanabha Pillai of Thodupuzha.	13-11-09
6. Venku Sastri Subramonia Iyen of do. ...	29-11-09
7. Aiyappan Pillai Narayana Pillai of do. ...	2-12-09
8. Narayana Pillai Raman Pillai of do. ...	17-12-09
9. Aiyappan Pillai Arumugom Pillai of do. ...	do.
1110	
1. Krishna Pillai Sankara Pillai of Thoduuzha ...	2-1-110
2. U. I. Mathew, Munsiff's Court Vakli, do. ...	25-1-110
3. Krishna Pillai Narayana Pillai of do. ...	1-2-110
4. Krishna Pillai Arumugom Pillai of do. ...	4-3-110
5. Raman Pillai Krishna Pillai of do. ...	do.
6. Sankara Pillai Raman Pillai of do. ...	do.
7. Aiyappan Pillai Arumugom Pillai of do. ...	do.
8. Mathew Mathai of do. ...	6 3-110
9. Krishna Pillai Sankara Pillai of (illegible)	7-4-110
10. Karuppu Pillai Velayudhan Pillai of Thodupuzha ...	13-5-110
11. K. J. Devasia, Vakil, Kanjiravallil ...	8-7-110
12. C. P. Tharakan of Alwaye ...	11--110
13. Kurien Frenchu of Meenachil	3-9-1110

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